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In re Application of: Naoharu YANAGAWA et al.)	Confirmation No.: 7322
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Application No.: 10/542,853)	Group Art No.: 2655
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For: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM)	Filed: July 21, 2005
AND INFORMATION RECORDING)	
APPARATUS)	

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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF
APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495
AND OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

Attached are copies of the Notice of Acceptance of Application and Official Filing Receipt received from the PTO in the above application for which issuance of a corrected Notice of Acceptance of Application and Official Filing Receipt is respectfully requested.

There is an error with respect to the filing date which is incorrectly reflected as July 11, 2005. Attached please find a copy of PTO date-stamped receipt of the above-mentioned application which reflects both July 11, 2005 and July 21, 2005 as date of receipt with the July 11, 2005 date stamp being indicated as canceled. Applicants respectfully request that the filing date be accurately reflected as July 21, 2005 and that a corrected Notice of Acceptance of Application and Official Filing Receipt be issued.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

Respectfully submitted,

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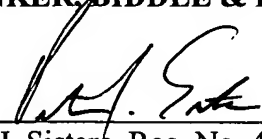
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- ☒ A. Application Transmittal
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☒ Utility
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☐ B. Continuation/Divisional/Continuation-In-Part
☐ § 1.53(b)
☐ § 1.53 (f) – fee not included
☒ C. English Translation of Specification:
78 Sheet(s)
☒ D. 21 Total Claim(s)
☒ E. 24 Sheets of Drawing(s)
(containing 37 Figures)
☐ F. Small Entity
☒ G. Combined Declaration & Power of Attorney

II. Prosecution Documents

- ☐ A. Notice of Appeal
☒ B. Preliminary Amendment
☐ C. Claim to Priority & Priority Document(s)
☒ D. Information Disclosure Statement
☒ PTO Form 1449 –
☒ 5 Reference(s)

III. Post Issuance

- ☐ A. Maintenance Fee
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- ☒ A. Assignment
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- ☒ Check No. 34477 for \$1,940.00
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VII. Other

- ☒ A. Transmittal Letter (2 pages)
☒ B. PCT/RO/101
☒ C. PCT/IPEA/401
☒ D. Published WO 2004/066289
☒ E. PCT/ISA/210
☒ F. PCT/IPEA/416
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371 ACCEPTANCE LETTER



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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C 371 AND 37 CFR 1.495

The applicant is hereby advised that the United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495), has determined that the above identified international application has met the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371, and is ACCEPTED for national patentability examination in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

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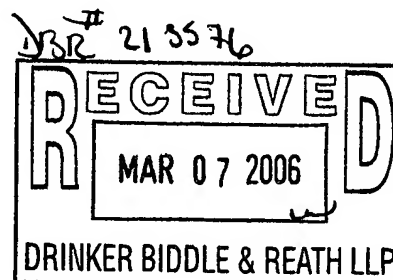
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DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371
REQUIREMENTS

A Filing Receipt (PTO-103X) will be issued for the present application in due course. **THE DATE APPEARING ON THE FILING RECEIPT AS THE " FILING DATE" IS THE DATE ON WHICH THE LAST OF THE 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS HAS BEEN RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE. THIS DATE IS SHOWN ABOVE.** The filing date of the above identified application is the international filing date of the international application (Article 11(3) and 35 U.S.C. 363). Once the Filing Receipt has been received, send all correspondence to the Group Art Unit designated thereon.

The following items have been received:

- Copy of the International Application filed on 07/11/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 07/11/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 07/11/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/11/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 07/11/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 07/11/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 07/11/2005
- Assignment filed on 07/11/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 07/11/2005
- Specification filed on 07/11/2005
- Claims filed on 07/11/2005



- Abstracts filed on 07/11/2005
- Drawings filed on 07/11/2005

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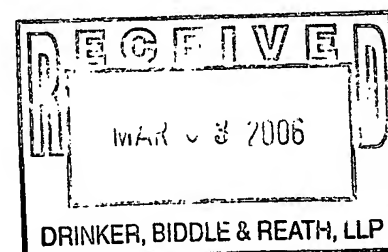
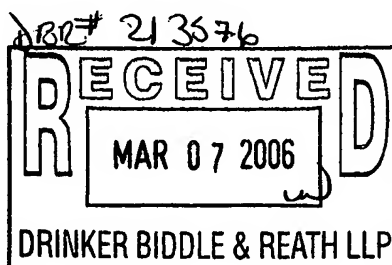
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Early Publication Request: No



Title

Information recording medium and information recording device

Preliminary Class

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